The Reverend Robert W. Fisher  
*Rector*

The Reverend Jane Milliken Hague  
*Interim Associate Rector*

The Reverend William Morris  
*Assisting Priest for Engaging Faith and the Workplace*

The Reverend Savannah Ponder  
*Deacon for Ministries to Children, Youth, and Families*

Kaye Edwards  
*Assistant for Church Growth*

Brent Erstad  
*Acting Director of Music*

Samantha Scheff  
*Assistant Organist*
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
January 19, 2020

7:45 A.M.  THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Word of God, page 355, Book of Common Prayer

The First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm 40:1-12

The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Gospel: John 1:29-42

The Sermon: The Rev. Robert W. Fisher

Preacher and People:

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference. Amen.

Nicene Creed, page 358

The Prayers of the People, Form VI, page 392

The Peace

A Prayer for Stewardship

Priest and People:

Gracious and everlasting God, the giver of all good gifts, you have blessed us and our parish abundantly. Grant us the hope to dream and the courage to live into our possibilities. Make us faithful stewards, both for the provision of our necessities and for the relief of those who are in need. Bless the efforts of our Annual Giving this year to extend the work of spiritual renewal in our church and community of faith. Through Jesus Christ, who gave all of himself, we offer this prayer. Amen.
The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer A, page 361

Prayer after Communion, page 365

Blessing and Dismissal

ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY: Heather Hopkins, Reader and Chalice Bearer; Pat Dalby and Adelle Simmons, Flower Guild; Robyne Johnston, Assistant Head Usher; Judy McKevitt, Usher.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother’s womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.” But I said, “I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.” And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—he says, “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, “Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Psalm 40:1-12

1 I waited patiently upon the Lord; he stooped to me and heard my cry.
2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.
4 Happy are they who trust in the Lord! they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God! how great your wonders and your plans for us! there is none who can be compared with you.
6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! but they are more than I can count.
7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure (you have given me ears to hear you);
8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, and so I said, "Behold, I come."
9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: 'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'"
10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.

11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

12 You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me; let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

John 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me
because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

All persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Our tradition is to receive both the bread and the wine, sharing in the common cup. Please assist the chalice bearer by guiding the cup to your lips. You may also instinc by dipping the wafer into the chalice. Receiving the bread only is a valid and acceptable way to share in Holy Communion. After consuming the wafer, cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on request from the communion minister. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. Children may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest.
ON BEHALF OF THE RECTOR, WARDENS, VESTRY, AND ALL WHO
SHARE IN THE GRACE OF GOD THROUGH THE WORSHIP, MINISTRIES,
PROGRAMS, AND OUTREACH OF ST. JOHN’S CHURCH, WE THANK THE
FOLLOWING FOR THEIR PLEDGES FOR THE YEAR 2020.

(as of January 15, 2020)

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Katie Adams Holder & Paul Holder
John & Renate Alison
Tony Anikeeff & Tung-Lin Wu
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Keith & Jeanne Arnold
Margo & Doug Arnold
Thomas & Christine Arrasmith
John Aschieris
Shea & Virginia Bader
Geoffrey & Kathryn Baker
Sarah Banks
Paul Barkett
Joanne Bauers
Jordan Baugh
Meg Beasley
Krista Becker
Bob Beizer
Laura Belman
Kate Benner
Judy Campbell Bird
William & Martha Birdseye
Diane Bitsberger
Marion Blakey & William Dooley
Paul Bledsoe & Celia Boddington
Thomas Bleha & Natasha Simes
Nita Blundon
Matt Bode & Laurie Adams
Leo & Raluca Bouma
Becca Brown
Russell & Barbara Brown
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Richard Busch
Carolyn Buser
Peter & Susan Carlson
Robert Carroll
Andrea Charters
Mary Jane Checchi
Preston & Merrell Cherouny
John & Victoria Cherry
Virginia Chew
Savanna Clark
Andrew Clarke & Chip Sherrill
Gwinneth Ann Clarkson
Audrey Corcoran
Claudette Cox
Robert & Jamie Craft
Stephen & Nicole Crochet
Nelson & Carolyn Crouch
Gwendolyn Cunningham
James Czerwonky
Patricia Czerwonky
Garry & Patricia Dalby
Betsy Danello
Christine Davies
Susan Dawson
Justin Dean & Matthew Sipala
John Derrick
William "Rhys" Dodd & Bailey Thomas
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Stephen & Caroline Faris
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Gary & Debby Hailey
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Jeff & Katie Hantson
Hunter Hardinge & Matthew Thomas
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Will & Brittany Rabbe
Allie Raether
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Ken & Susan Starling
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Catherine Stolar
Desirée Stolar
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John Ward
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Renée B. Yancey
Richard Young
IF YOU ARE VISITING
a warm welcome to St. John’s.

We are delighted to have you worship with us. Please let us know who you are and how we can best serve you by filling out a “Welcome” card and leaving it in the offering plate or with an Usher or Greeter. Join us for the coffee hour following the service.

We welcome families with young children at our worship services. Liturgy bags with children's activities are available from the greeters as you enter the nave. For parishioners and visitors alike, nursery care for children under age three is provided on Sunday from 8:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on the Lower Level. We offer Church School at 10:00 a.m. for children age three through grade five every Sunday. Every Third Sunday, we offer a Youth Gathering for grades six through twelve. Both children and youth formation take place on the second floor of the Parish House.

All persons, including children, are invited to take part in the Holy Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. Children may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest at the altar by crossing their arms across their chest.

Follow us on Instagram at @stjohnschurchlafayettesquare. See photos from St. John’s musical performances, special events, meetings, Sunday services, and more. Relive the moment or experience it for the first time through the touch of a button on your smartphone. Help St. John’s capture each moment by submitting your photos from events, worship services, trips, and volunteer efforts.

FREE VALET PARKING FROM THE FRONT OF ST. JOHN’S FOR THE SPEAKER SERIES AND 11:00 A.M. SERVICE.

EXCEPT ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS, HOURS WILL BE 9:30 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.

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12:30 p.m.  St. John’s Choir Rehearsal

The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated Tuesday through Friday at 12:10 p.m.

SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE
The Speaker Series is held at 10:00 a.m. on the following Sundays in the Togo West Parlor:

- **January 19: David Garrow**, Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. He will speak on *The Life and Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.*

- **January 26**: Vestry Candidates’ Presentation.

- **February 9: Dr. Meredith Evans**, Director of the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum. She will speak about the library and the museum and the Carter presidency.


- **March 8: Hank Handler**. He will speak about the restoration of the Dolley Madison House.


NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY
Today, January 19 at 10:00 a.m.

The study of The Gospel of Matthew continues today at 10:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room. **The group will not meet on January 26 and February 2**, so that everyone can attend the presentation of vestry candidates and the annual meeting of the congregation. This Bible Study will resume on Sunday, February 9. All are welcome. **Contact Jack Reiffer for further information at jjreiffer@gmail.com or at 202-230-1481.**

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EPIPHANY LESSONS AND CAROLS AND HOLY EUCHARIST
Sunday, January 26, 11:00 a.m.

Join the Parish Choir for a service of Lessons and Carols for the Season of Epiphany. More ancient than the celebration of Christmas, the early church highlighted three manifestations—or *epiphanies*—of Jesus’ life and early ministry: the visit by the Magi, the revelation that he was God’s beloved child at his baptism in the Jordan, and his first miracle at the wedding feast at Cana. Explore these stories through music and readings for the season of Epiphany.

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ST. JOHN’S BOOK CLUB
Thursday, February 6 at 6:45 p.m.

The St. John’s Book Club will meet on Thursday, February 6. We will meet in the second floor teens classroom of the Parish House at 6:45 p.m. to discuss *Hitch 22* by Christopher Hitchens. If you love to read, please join us for an evening of discussion and socializing. **For more information, contact Leila Taaffe at taaffel@gmail.com.**
ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF VESTRY
Sunday, February 2, 10:00 a.m.

VESTRY CANDIDATES
Paul Barkett, Senior Warden
Jeff Hantson, Junior Warden

Vestry (voting for 3):
Laurie Adams
Michelle Mangrum
John More
Anthony Pegues
Jack Reiffer
Carl Ward

Rotating off:
Virginia Bader
Audrey Wood Corcoran
Wande Johnson
Richard Metzger, Senior Warden

ST. JOHN’S ANNUAL PARISH RECEPTION
Sunday, February 2, after the 11:00 a.m. service

Join St. John's community at the Annual Parish Reception on Sunday, February 2, after the 11:00 a.m. service. We will gather to celebrate with our new rector, the Rev. Rob Fisher, as well as a promising 2020 with all parishioners and vestry members of St. John's Church. There will be wine and non-alcoholic beverages in addition to heavy hors-d'oeuvres.

Please RSVP at rsvp@stjohns-dc.org or at 202-347-8766 by Thursday, January 30, so that we can accurately confirm the food order for the reception. All are welcome!
MORE JESUS, MORE LOVE REVIVAL SERVICE  
Sunday, January 26, 2020, 2:00 p.m.  
Entertainment and Sports Arena  
1100 Oak Street SE, Washington, DC 20032  
With the Most Rev. Michael B. Curry  
Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church

General admission tickets for the More Jesus, More Love Revival service with Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry are now available. This event is free, but requires a ticket for entry. Tickets are limited to 6 per person and available on a first come, first served basis.

How to reserve tickets:
• Go to https://tix.cathedral.org/TheatreManager/1/online?performance =22495.
• Click on Reserve Your Tickets.
• Select the number of tickets to reserve.
• Click the View Options box, then click Add Tickets to Cart.
• At check-out, use your Washington National Cathedral login if you've purchased Cathedral event tickets previously, or create a login.

Tickets will be mailed in January 2020.

PLEDGE ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP

Pledge envelopes are available. Please pick up your pledge envelopes at the reception desk in the Parish House. **Envelopes may be picked up from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Friday and 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Sunday.** Envelopes that have not been picked up by February 3rd will be mailed!
POTLUCK SUPPERS–BUILDING COMMUNITY

St John’s will continue its popular parishioner potluck suppers in the New Year! The Rev. Rob Fisher, his wife Sarah Wood, and the Rev. Jane Hague hope to attend. They are a wonderful opportunity to meet and connect with fellow parishioners. **If you are interested in hosting one, please contact Holly Sukenik at hsukenik@hotmail.com.** The next potluck will be on:

**Saturday, February 8, 6:00 p.m.**  
Falls Church City, VA.  
Hosted by Dick and Joy Nathan.  
**RSVP:** dick.nathan@longandfoster.com

**Friday, February 28, 6:30 p.m.**  
Capitol Hill, Washington DC  
Hosted by Elizabeth Lewis and David Abernethy  
**RSVP:** elizplewis@aol.com

SUBMIT A DEVOTIONAL OR SIGN UP TO RECEIVE PATHWAYS THROUGH LENT

Submissions are due by Friday, February 21

We invite you to share your thoughts on the season of Lent by writing a brief reflection for our online daily devotional. Entries may be written individually or as a group (e.g. on behalf of a committee or a family) and need be about 250 words long. Your reflection can be inspired by the appointed scripture verse of the day (which we will share when we confirm your assigned date) or some other Lenten or spiritual topic. **Submissions are due by Friday, February 21**, so we can launch the devotional on Ash Wednesday, February 26.

**Please email Jack Reiffer at jjreiffer@gmail.com and Sara McGanity at sara.mcganity@gmail.com to choose a date.**

Note: if you were subscribed to Pathways in 2019, you should automatically begin receiving devotionals on the morning of February 26.

**If you would like to sign up for the daily email, please subscribe at https://stjohns-dc.org/category/pathways.**
The next dates for Baptism and required pre-baptismal classes with the clergy are as follows:

- Baptism: **Sunday, February 23, 9:00 a.m.**
  Class: **Saturday, February 22, 10:00 a.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, April 19, 11:00 a.m.**
  Class: **Saturday, April 18, 10:00 a.m.**

If you are interested in having a child baptized, or in baptism for yourself, please contact Kaye Edwards by e-mail at kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org. Please note that the parents or grandparents of children being baptized must be active, pledging members of St. John’s. Adults interested in baptism for themselves must attend the Rector’s Adult Inquirers’ Class and be active, pledging participants in the life of the parish.

**THE 2020 SPRNG ADULT INQUIRERS’ CLASS**
Saturdays, March 14 and March 21
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

If you would like to be baptized, confirmed, or received into membership in the Episcopal Church at St. John’s, we invite you to join the 2020 Spring Adult Inquirers’ Class. The two-day class will meet on two Saturdays, March 14 and March 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. both days. The Rev. Rob Fisher, Rector of St. John’s, will lead the sessions. Anyone – newcomer or longtime parishioner – interested in learning more about our Christian faith and life, the Episcopal tradition, and the ministry of St. John’s Church, is encouraged to attend. For more information or to register, please contact Kaye Edwards at 202-347-8766, ext. 317 or by e-mail at kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org. Those who participate in this class, or have completed another inquirers’ class, may attend a Service of Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows at Washington National Cathedral on Saturday, May 9.

**JANUARY AT CARDOZO EDUCATION CAMPUS**
Communities in Schools, which is supported by St. Johns Church, is looking for volunteers at Cardozo. The school has made an urgent request for tutors during January. Tutoring will take place after school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. No special training is needed. Tutors will be working with vulnerable students who are in danger of failing the term. Volunteers are welcome at one, some, or all sessions as they are able. Please contact Livy More at 202-291-8783 or at livezey@aol.com for more information.
THINKING ABOUT SCIENCE AND FAITH
Would you be interested in exploring the intersections of modern science and theology during Lent next year? A few parishioners are exploring ideas for a study group, possibly to take place later in March. **If you'd like to be part of this, whether as a participant or planner, please be in touch with Joanne Hutton at joannerhutton@gmail.com.** Thank you.

ENGAGING FAITH AND THE WORKPLACE

What does it mean to engage faith and the workplace? And what is a workplace ministry?

Is it about helping our neighbors at work? Is it about trying to shape the organization in which we work to better serve the community? Is it about creating vibrant businesses that both model good practices, and earn profits that can pay staff, support their families, and enhance the dignity of work? Is it about using and sharing our God-given gifts in the secular world? Is it about gently living lives modeled on Christ?

The short answer is that it can be all of the above! And the good news is that we can all engage in this ministry – and not just those currently in the workplace. As we think about how to build up this ministry, and become still more light and salt for our neighbors and co-workers, we would love to get input from as many of you as possible. We look forward to working on this new ministry of St John’s.

**For questions or ideas or simply a request to talk, please contact the Rev. Will Morris at will.morris@stjohns-dc.org.**

LISTEN AGAIN TO SUNDAY SERMONS

If you missed a Sunday at St. John’s Church or would like to listen again to past sermons or speaker series, you can visit the St. John’s website and click on the “Media” tab at the top of the page to listen. You can also find past sermons by searching for “St. John’s Church, Lafayette Square” in the Podcast app on your iPhone or iPad.
CONSIDER JOINING THE FLOWER GUILD

Whether acquiring a new skill or expanding on an existing talent, being a member of the Flower Guild is a rewarding way to volunteer at St. John’s. Newcomers are paired with experienced members who mentor them until they are fully fledged, confident flower arrangers. It is a wonderful ministry with the benefit of newfound friendships. For a typical Sunday, two team members meet on Saturday morning. Please contact Flower Guild Chair Katherine Kyle if you would like additional information at carsonkyle@gmail.com.

JOIN THE ST. JOHN’S TOUR GUIDE MINISTRY

St. John’s Tour Guide Ministry is looking for new members. For the Tour Guides of St John’s, spring and summer mean that the number of visitors and guests who are interested in tours of the church will be increasing at our services. Leading tours is rewarding. You meet wonderful people from all over the United States and around the world. Training from current Tour Guides is done at your convenience. Guides are called upon once every eight weeks or so to give tours on Sundays after the 11:00 a.m. service (during the regular program year) and after the 10:30 a.m. service during the summer. If the opportunity presents itself, please take a tour from one of our Guides or contact the head of the Tour Guides, Karen Zachary, at karen.zachary@gmail.com. We look forward to welcoming you as a part of this important ministry at St. John’s.

JOIN ST. JOHN’S GREETERS TEAM

Would you enjoy welcoming visitors to Sunday services? Helping new parishioners feel comfortable in the congregation? Exchanging morning greetings with old and new friends in the parish? Then please join the Welcome Team Ministry and become a Greeter for the 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service (10:30 a.m. service during the summer). Greeting requires only a short time before and after the service and is important to the continued growth and health of St. John’s Church. For more information about becoming a greeter, please contact Head Greeter Kat Kehoe at katkehoe@gmail.com.
SING WITH THE PARISH CHOIR

The Parish Choir, a dedicated corps of volunteer musicians who provide musical leadership for Sunday morning services, welcomes new members. Midweek rehearsals are most Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., with a light supper of sandwiches provided at 6:30 p.m. There is a straightforward voice trial for admission, but the main qualification is your interest in serving St. John's in its music program. Please be in touch with Brent Erstad, Acting Director of Music, at Brent.Erstad@stjohns-dc.org to learn more.

AN EASY WAY TO HELP OTHERS

When you travel, bring back unopened toiletry items for homeless shelters. Place them in the basket in the connector between the Church and the Parish House.

PASTORAL CARE AT ST. JOHN’S CHURCH

Praying for the sick and those in need is an important part of our life together. We invite you to add yourself, family, or friends to the parish prayer list. Other than birthdays, anniversaries, and deaths, names added to the prayer list will appear for four consecutive weeks. If you would like the name to be on the prayer list for a shorter or longer period of time, please let us know. We are listing in parentheses the name of the person requesting prayers for family and friends who are not members of the congregation. To add a name to the prayer list, please contact the Rev. Jane Hague at jane.hague@stjohns-dc.org.

FLOWER DELIVERIES

Help brighten the day of parishioners who can’t be with us by taking them flowers, located in the side chapel. A greeting card for the parishioner is attached to each vase, which also contains contact information. Thank you for checking to see if a delivery address is convenient for you.

Flowers need to be delivered to N. Taylor Street, Arlington, VA and Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.
OUR PRAYERS are requested for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially:

Those who are sick or recovering:


Friends and family of our parish: Bruce Anderson (Cay Buser), Niels Beck (Michelle Mangrum), Rachael Buckley (Chrystal Martin), John Frew Carter (Margo Arnold), Lane Carter, Bill Clark (Clark Ervin), Carl Edwards (Lauren Edwards), William Frew Conderman (Margo Arnold), Sambar Datta (Ashley Culbertson), Harry Davis (Mary & Carl Raether), Karl Dornemann (Deb Dornemann), Bobby Doyle (Alex Pappas), Ted Fibison (Wendy Fibison), Lucas Hunt (Matthew Taylor), Edwarda Johnson (Wande Johnson), Elliot Josey and Henry Josey (Sara and Bill Josey), Linda Linton (Cay Buser), Amy Lowenthal (Andrew Tomlinson), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Geoff Megaree (Cay Buser), Kevin Milstead (Andrew Tomlinson), Timothy Mullins (Jim Mullins), Zach Newton (Andrew Tomlinson), Judy Nicola (Cynthia Walker), Jerry O'Hagan (Lance Jensen), Jonathan A.I. Olowu (Elizabeth Leach), Ginger Parra (Leila Taaffe), Cawley Scott (Robyne Johnston), Diane Sinclair (Pat Dalby), Zoe Taaffe (Leila Taaffe), Gabriel Van Oyen (Carolyn Crouch), Henry and Sandy Welles (Donna Welles), Jim Wolter (Willy Wolter), and Kristen Wyckoff (Pat Dalby).

Those who are shut-in:

From our parish: Max Hudgins.

Those who are in the hospital:

Friends and family of our parish: Courtney Jordan Hillman (Erika Northcutt), Julie Howell (Cynthia Walker), Aiden Mylnikov (Lindsey Bowen), Gina Robinson (Matthew Taylor), Travis Rogers (Robert Carroll), and Matthew Wild (Susan Wild).

Those who died:

Friends and family of our parish: Bill Kellermann who died January 9 and Lois Herrmann who died January 14.

Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week: Katie Adams Holder, Alex Brown, GeeGee Bryant, Matson Coxe, George Diliberto, Nancy Fletcher, Victoria Hahn, Hermann Helgert, Dudley Hoskins, Ann Hughes, Jack Kinsey, Nicholas Lewis, Paul Mandelson, Leila Nuzum, Ike Owunwanne, Robert Pahnke, Scott Raspa, Gini Rhodes, Dax Tejera, Susan Van Nice, Patrick Venzke, Benjamin Watson, Peter Watson, Tung-Lin Wu, and Catherine Zeller.

Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week: Audrey and Evan Corcoran.
Those serving in the Armed Forces including those who are deployed, and for the Armed Forces Ministry of the Episcopal Church:

Friends and family of our parish who are deployed: Steve Helmer (*Sara McGanity*) and Peter T. Watson (*Wendy Fibison*).

Please help us keep these lists updated by contacting the clergy at St. John’s via email as soon as you can with corrections, additions, and updates on status.

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**HONOR YOUR LOVED ONES WITH FLOWERS**

You can recognize your loved ones or a special event with a dedication in our Sunday bulletin when you make a contribution to the Flower Fund. In doing so, you invite the congregation to participate in remembering a loved one, a birth or birthday, or a wedding, anniversary, graduation, or other special event.

St. John’s Flower Guild lovingly arranges flowers each week for our Sunday services. You can choose to dedicate the two main altar arrangements with a contribution of $110, the side chapel for $55, or the narthex for $55. Or, you can dedicate all four arrangements in the church for $220.

Please contact the Parish Office at 202-347-8766 and send a check to St. John’s Church
Attention: Flower Fund, 1525 H Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-1005, Fax 202-347-3446

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Entire Church-$220 | Main Altar-$110 | Side Altar-$55 | Narthex-$55

Thank you!
HOST A ST. JOHN’S SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH
January 26 – May 17, 2020

Sign Up to Host A Sunday Parish Lunch!
Your help is needed to make it happen.

Participate in one of the best fellowship opportunities at St. John’s.
Make new friends – both members and visitors – and catch up with old friends.
We encourage individual members, families, and groups and ministries of our church to host lunches.
Working with family and friends is FUN!
It takes at least two people to pull it off.
So…
Talk to a friend – or two or three – about joining you to host a Sunday Lunch. The more the merrier!
Hosts may be reimbursed for expenses or receive a tax receipt as you choose.
Detailed guidelines are sent to anyone who inquires.

To sign up to host a lunch and select a date, contact Holly Sukenik, the lunch coordinator, at 202-332-2952 (home) or hsukenik@hotmail.com or the Parish Office at 202-347-8766 or by email to kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org.

There will be no Parish Lunch on the following dates: January 19, April 5 (Palm Sunday), April 12 (Easter Day), and May 10 (Mother’s Day).

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SEEKING SUSTAINABLE PET FOOD OPTIONS

The pet food industry is big business—we spend about $25 billion on it every year, with about the same caloric value as all the food eaten annually in France. Advertising has tried to convince us that our pets can’t possibly live healthy lives without a grain-free and “human grade”, meat–based diet, but a Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine study disputes that. Cats are indeed true carnivores, while dogs have been domesticated over the centuries and are well-adapted to be omnivores. In other words, dogs need some meat, but can thrive on a more earth-friendly diet that includes animal by-products and plant-based food as sources of good nutrition. If we’re in doubt as to what balance to strike, we can always talk to the vet.

–St. John’s Care of Creation Group.

In coordination with the Care of Creation Group’s efforts to stop the use of items, such as plastic shopping bags, that are harmful to the environment, St. John’s has produced reusable tote bags with the St. John’s logo. Please contact the office or see a greeter on Sunday mornings to pick up a bag for your use.
Welcome!

At St. John’s Church, we believe Christ is calling us to be a renewed church in a changing world. Empowered by the Spirit of God, we respond to Jesus’ call as we deepen our bond with Christ through worship, become a community where all are accepted, and work together as laity and clergy to do God’s work in the world.

St. John’s was organized in 1815 to serve as a parish church for Episcopalians residing in the neighborhoods in the west end of the District of Columbia. Its cornerstone was laid on September 14, 1815, and it was consecrated on December 27, 1816. Beginning with James Madison, every person who has held the office of President of the United States has attended a service at the church. Several Presidents have been communicants. Thus, St. John’s is often referred to as the “Church of the Presidents.” Pew 54 is the President’s Pew. The architect of the church was Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who assisted in the rebuilding of the U.S. Capitol and the White House after the War of 1812. Twenty-five of the stained glass windows in St. John’s were designed and executed by artisans of the noted Lorin firm of Chartres, France.

Brochures describing parish life, the history of St. John’s, and the Episcopal denomination can be found in the church entrance. If you are visiting, please fill out the visitor information card found at the end of each pew to enable us to welcome you personally into the life of our parish.

St. John’s website www.stjohns-dc.org has up-to-date information about the Church including the weekly calendar, the Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, the music calendar and newsworthy events.